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THE WORLD CUP.

Did you hear about the worst goalie playing in Italy? The manager had to paint something on his gloves to give him confidence-Super Glue.

Wives will be playing as extra sweepers during the World Cup. Sweeping up beer cans, bags of crisps, and bags of husbands.

Did you hear about the wife who divorced her husband during the World Cup? She named the telly as his mistress.

SING TO THE WELL KNOW TUNE.

My girl has left me
She's gone away
She met a striker in Italy
Tomorrow will be too late
My paddle boat
Is due back
In-nnnnn Ramsgate.

I went to Italy for the World Cup. I didn't like the Italian Food. I only eat pasta if I hasta.

Marlon Brando applied to be the mascot of the Italian soccer team during the World Cup. They wanted to turn him down but he made them an offer they couldn't refuse.

Football is the game for me I give them lots of gore I dribble round the pitch all day Before I get a score.

Maradona has been training very hard for the World Cup. He's been doing ten hours practise a day on how to head the ball with his hand.

I was offered a drink from a lager lout during the World Cup. He tasted awful so I added some lime.

Paul Gascoigne should score a lot of goals in the World Cup. After all, if a Gascoigne needs help he can call on the Three Musketeers.

BUSINESS.

Donald Trump has gone back to his wife. He must have taken

some advice from Magnus Magnusson because he told the Press. $^{\prime}$ I've started this marriage so I'll finish it. $^{\prime}$

When where you last in Marks and Spencer? They're so busy and short of space that the bargain basement is now on the fifth floor.

Business at an East End brothel is so bad that the prostitutes have stopped coming.

I know a managing director who's so young it would make you jealous. He was involved in a baby snatching case. And what makes it worse-he was the baby.

Our managing director told me he needed a break. So I hit him with a cue stick and got a maximum break of one hundred and fortyseven.

I know a stockbroker who advised his clients to buy shares in a chocolate flake company-the shares gained ten points and then they just crumbled.

() is a real high powered executive. If you added four wheels you could enter him in Formula One.

A lot of companies are having problems with wage negotiations. I hope it doesn't spread to the gravediggers as that would be enough to make a body rise.

'The devil finds work for idle hands. 'Which is why it is alleged-that he is offering a consultancy service for companies with blast furnaces.

Unemployment in the Eastern Bloc countries is getting worse. A travelling circus in Romania advertised for a liontamer with a long whip and got five hundred applications—three from ladies in black leather.

POLITICS.

A politician is someone who never met a voter he didn't like.

Norman Tebbit went and said it About the natives from Hong Kong But it really wasn't cricket So now he should go and stick it Because Norman left a Chinese pong.

Mrs Thatcher has completed the first half of her sentence-But now she's facing eleven years Hard Labour.

Neil Kinnock plans to increase the amount of political leaks in his bid for Number Ten. At press conferences all journalists will be served with leak soup. Neil and Maggie went up the hill To fetch a pail of votes But Maggie fell down And broke her crown And Neil fell among goats.

The government has ordered an enquiry, to find out why the supergun was delivered to Iraq instead of the original buyer named on the export license-Superman.

Nelson Mandela is going to meet Mrs Thatcher. Nelson Mandela wants to talk about sanctions against South Africa-and Mrs Thatcher wants his advice on prison conditions.

President Bush is having secret lessons before a planned visit to Downing Street. He's learning how to fly a kite.

Glenda Jackson is to star in a new film with Neil Kinnock. It's called ' A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To Downing Street. '

Mrs Thatcher has denied saying that Michael Heseltine 'Is not one of us, but a descendant of General Custer.' Mrs Thatcher also denied planning another 'Battle Of The Little Big Horn.'

JUMBLE SALE.

The only thing that grows faster than the rate of inflation is ($\dot{}$ s) ego.

I prefer June to May but I don't like the size of her husband.

David Rockefeller was asked to make a contribution to the Green Movement-so he planted a Bush in the White House.

They're doing a remake of ' The Invisible Man. ' Robert McClelland and Salman Rushdie are joint favourtites for the starring role.

Old? He's got more grey hairs than Desert Orchid.

After twenty years of faithful service () was made redundant and thrown on the rubbish heap. They privatised the garbage collection service.

Cigar smokers are a lot like saints because they both have halos above their heads.

This summer has certainly improved my tennis. My backhand has ended the flying careers of moths, bluebottles, and mosquitoes.

Summertime and the living is easy. Not if you're freezer breaks down on a Bank Holiday weekend.

I know one summer resort that's so expensive they dye the sea a lighter shade of blue.

STARTING AND CLOSING SPEECHES.

I had a business plan for my speech tonight, but after all that wine I have already gone into liquidation.

I'll just finish by reminding you all that business comes before pleasure, you've had the business, so now you can all have the pleasure of finishing your meal.

NEWSFLASH.

The Krays have been signed up to star in another film when they get out of jail, it's called 'Rambo Meets The Krays.'

Ken Dodd auditioned for a part in the new Godfather film. The part had Ken making an assassination attempt on the Godfather by tickling him to death.

Sean Connery couldn't see the screen at the premiere of his film ' Hunt For Red October. ' There was a big crowd of autograph hunters-so they gave him a periscope.

An Elvis Presley Lookalike has been hired to open a steak restaurant by singing the song 'Love Me Tender.'

EastEnders has been sold to a Texas TV Station and they've changed the title. It's now called 'WayoutWestEnders.'

Sky TV has just signed up a million suscribers who don't need any satellite dishes-they're Martians from outer space.

The BSB Channel is planning a new soap opera. Pavarotti is going to sing while he eats a bar of soap.

British Rail is planning to move into show business. A steam engine is to be shunted around West End Theatres and used as a smoke machine.

The Channel Tunnel took a wrong turning and is now expected to surface in Australia.

The banks are introducing higher charges for credit cards. They had to do something to stop them being added to a burglar's keyring.

SPORT.

I'm a sporty kind of fellow Who swims and plays with bat and ball Until my agent books me rightly I'll be back to thrill you nightly.

Golf is a lot like war because you always end up in a bunker.

Frank Bruno is waiting for a fight with Mike Tyson and is now in serious training. He's practising how to fight his way out of a box of Kleenex.

My postman is a short hitter of a golf ball. He knows how to address the ball, but he doesn't put enought stamps on it.

Julian Wilson had to stop commentating for the BBC last week at Ascot-He went completely hoarse.

The Man From Atlantis has become a swimming instructor. He gives drowning lessons.

The BSB Sports Channel has started a new programme on Saturday afternoons-It has some musicians talking about sport and it's called Bandstand.

A new sports game is to start on TV called Waterskiing Roulette. The contestants are blindfolded and have to pick from six places to go waterskiing-One of them is Niagara Falls.

Alf Garnett is going to manage a soccer team for the over sixties. The team members have to buy their own kit-boots, tracksuits, wheelchairs... Oz pensioners needn't apply.

I borrowed a thousand pounds from The Krays and bet it on a horse. Its funny really. The horse did exactly what the Krays said they'd do to me if I didn't pay it back-It broke a leg.

EDUCATION.

Football hooligans are so common nowadays that some of them want to be different. You can now do a course in Advanced Hooliganism.

I don't think we should encourage teachers to look for higher salaries. After all, with higher salaries they would be able to bribe the kids to stay at home.

I'm sending my son to a private Italian school. The fees are very high and I thought I couldn't afford them. (ITALIAN ACCENT) But Luigi, the school principal, was very nice about it. He made me an offer I couldn't refuse.

My kid's school has bought some new computers. But already they are causing problems. The teachers complained about too much work and stood up their classes-because the computers kept on sitting down.

Teachers are getting younger and younger. I asked a maths teacher

what time he finsihed teaching in the afernoons and he said, 'When the little hand is on three and the big hand is on twelve.'

My teacher performed a charitable teaching service. He gave up teaching.

I've discovered a drug that will stop bold kids making teachers burntout and old before their time-arsenic.

My kid has started to get good marks at school since I stopped helping him with his homework,

My kid's idea of a good lecture is when the teacher's remarks apply to the whole class-Except him.

Last night my school days flashed before my eyes. It was awful. I hate history repeating itself.

DATING.

I like short girls like Kylie Minogue. The last girl I danced with only came up to my chin, but she wouldn't come up to my flat.

My love life has died a death. They put my personal advert for a girl friend into the obituary column.

You've heard of renting a house, but renting a girl friend never works. Even Adam and Eve couldn't get along with the Landlord.

All this fear about Aids has changed the chat after a spot of romance. Nowadays the man turns to the woman and says, 'Was it as safe for you as it was for me?'

I won a contest to have a date with Kylie Minogue. I walked into the room and right away Kylie came over and put her hand on a rather intimate place-My wallet.

Cliff Richard has fallen in love with a girl who wears her heart on her sleeve. I knew these transplants weren't perfected.

My latest girl friend reminds me of Vincent van Gogh. She only listens to me with one ear.

I know a girl who fell in love with Arnold Schwarzenegger. He asked her could he change her name to his and she said yes. And ever since he's been calling her Arnold.

My girl friend is from East Germany. She wanted me to go back with her and live in East Germany, and I wanted her to stay here. We had a big row about it, and I ended up telling her that two wrongs don't make a Reich.

My doctor told me I should cut down on the number of girls I date and take up weight lifting, so I compromised-Rachel my date tonight weighs twenty stone.

BANKS AND MORTGAGES. BANKRUPTCY.

My bank believes in High Tech customer services. Their microchip computers have been so successful, the bank is expanding by moving into smaller quarters.

Mortgages are so high, they're driving people up walls they'll never own.

Yesterday a bank robber with a shotgun, a stocking over his head stole ten thousand pounds pounds. Well, I know how we can put a stop to that. All we have to do is register nylon stockings.

I got a new 'Personal Mortage ' from my building society. I was very happy living in my cottage in the Outer Hebrides... Then I missed two mortage repayments and did that building society get personal.

I set up a consultancy business promoting American football, but it ended up in the hands of a receiver.

SALARIES AND THE BOSS.

My boss is so cheap, he'd turn off the light at the end of the Channel Tunnel.

My boss does the work of two men-Frakenstein and Dracula.

I asked my boss for a rise, but I'm not sure what his answer is-Special Branch won't let me back into his office.

My boss went to the Heinz School of Business. He has 57 reasons for sacking me.

My boss owns a fruit shop. He nearly sacked me yesterday for arguing with a customer. My boss told me that the customer is always ripe.

JUMBLE SALE.

A masochist is someone who enjoys paying the Poll Tax. A sadist is anyone who makes you pay it twice.

The happiest voters are those who take a Phantom of the Opera approach to the Labour Party. They enjoy the words, the music, the plot-but they don't try to look under the mask.

Radon is an ever-present gas that can seriously damage your

health. It reminds me of politicians.

Summer is that time of the year when you turn on the fan in the toilet and the shit hits you.

- () is a man whose sex life has been compared to elections. It only happens every four years.
- () is so greedy for food that he would have asked for seconds at the Last Supper.

Frank Bruno is a man without fear. The only time he throws in the towel is when he's leaving a hotel.

If () is God's gift to women, then God must be buying second hand.

I always make it a point to get to a traffic jam an hour early. That way I can be among the first to find out that my journey will be delayed.

My car is so old it needs oil transfusions to keep it alive.

I think England will win the World Cup-Probably from Holland by about thirty clear arrests.

Margaret Thatcher denies she's doing a U-turn on the Poll Tax; she's letting Denis do the driving this time.

At the new strategic arms limitation talks the US President said he's going to disarm his country twice as fast as Mr Gorbachev. Apparently a gun from the Red is worth two from the Bush.

The air pollution is so bad in Central London that even the rats are starting to wear gas masks.

After his latest gaffe (on Northern Ireland) Prince Philip is going to take lessons in tact. From Bernard Manning.

The late Sammy Davis Junior claimed to be the only one-eyed Negro jew in show business. He should have lived in Harringey, he would've got a grant for that.

I've worked out how to stop the outbreak of mad cow disease: Vote Labour.

My brother's got mad cow disease: he votes Tory.

Michael Heseltine might be Tarzan but Margaret Thatcher is well and truly up the jungle.

Inflation is on the way up again, but the good news is that the price of beef is coming down.